## 2024 BOM, Celebrate April

National Unicorn Day on April 9 is a day to celebrate the most popular mythical creature ever. Why? Because if we don't take time out to celebrate a beautiful, horned, rainbow-printed mythical creature then we're most definitely missing a trick. The unicorn is a symbol of happiness, fantasy, and wonder. (Block is $12^{\prime \prime}$ finished)

## Dark Fabric:



Cut 4, 3" squares for HST
Cut 8, 2 1/2" squares for Flying Geese. Draw a line diagonally on the back of each.

## Light Fabric:

Cut 4, 3" squares for HST
Cut 8, 2 1/2" squares
Cut 4 squares $25 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ for center square

## Medium:

Cut 1 Square 4 1/2" for center. This is nice to fussy cut.

## Background:

Cut 8, 4 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles.

## Center Square

On the back of each of the $25 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ light squares, draw a diagonal line from corner to corner. This will be your sewing line. Place a light square on opposite corners of the $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ center square. Sew on the drawn line and trim it $1 / 4$ " away from the sewn line. Repeat with a $2^{\text {nd }} 25 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ square on the opposite corner and trim. Press the corners out. Repeat with the other two $25 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ squares on the other two corners. Square up to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ "


## Sides:

Take one of the background $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4$ 1/2" rectangles and lay one of the dark 2 1/2" squares on one half. Sew on the diagonal line and trim 1/4" away from the sewn line. Press out and your piece should look like the second figure. Repeat on the other side with a second $21 / 2$ "square. Make a total of 4.

Sew a background $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle to the bottom of each of the flying geese blocks. Finished unit should look like the third figure and measure 4
 1/2".

## Corner squares

Use the 4, $3^{\prime \prime}$ light squares and 4, $3^{\prime \prime}$ dark squares to make 8 half square triangle blocks**Assemble into 4,4 patch units using 2 HST \& 2 light 3 1/2" squares.

## Finishing:

Assemble blocks in rows, 2 rows of 4 patch, FG unit, 4 patch and one row of FG unit, center square and FG unit. Sew the 3 rows together. Be very careful that each unit is turned the right way.

**To make half square triangle blocks: On the back of the lighter of the fabrics, draw a line diagonally from corner to corner. Then $1 / 4$ " on either side of this cutting line, draw 2 stitching lines. With two squares, right sides together, sew on the two outside stitching lines. Then cut into 2 halves on the line between the two stitching lines. Press out and you will have 2 , half square triangle blocks.


